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OUTER LOCK TO BE READY JUNE 1

Work of Construction at No. 4 Progressing Now in Good Shape

Indications point to the completion of the work of re-construction of the outer lock at Lock No. 4, by June 1 of next year. Work has been progressing now for practically two years and a half, and much trouble has at various times been encountered.

The upper end of the outer lock will before long be ready for the new steel gates, which are nearing completion at a down-river steel mill. These gates will be shipped within a few weeks and installed. They will be shipped in three pieces, and they will be installed differently from what lock gates have ever been installed before at any lock.

Tuesday morning pumps were started at Lock No. 4 after a suspension of several days on account of high water. However the working force was not reduced during the high water period, but men were put at work at other duties, such as overhauling the boats and building new concrete forms.

Early this week concrete work will be resumed at the new lock. With the completion next summer of the outer lock, work will be started on the reconstruction of the inner lock, and it will take a period of time nearly as long as that taken for the building of the outer.

Comb and Brush Sets 35c to $5.00 each in nice box. Kirk and Clark. w&ft2

ELCO WANTS RAILROAD TO REPLACE HIGHWAY

The borough of Elco, through its counsel, secured a rule Monday on the Pennsylvania Railroad company to show cause why there should not be an attachment issued against it for contempt of court for alleged failure to obey a writ of premptory mandamus. The rule is returnant to the first Monday of January. The suit grows out of the taking of a public road in that borough for right of way purposes. Action was brought by the borough and the railroad ordered to reconstruct a road. It is set forth in the petition filed Monday that more than 11 months have elapsed since the writ of premptory mandamus was issued and served and that the railroad company has not yet reconstructed said public road in accordance with the peremptory writ of mandamus duly issued.

A Hint to the Wise is Sufficient.

See our Christmas line of watches, Diamonds and Jewelry, cut glass, Chinaware, Silverware. We will be glad to set-aside any article for you for future delivery. You get quality goods for the right price at H. Porter's Jewelry store, 534 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. Bell 'Phone 67-R. Next door to Woolworth 5 and 10 cent store. 131-tf

Dolls! Dolls! Dolls!

Cute little character dolls 50c to $2.50. Celluloid baby dolls 10c to $5. Kid dolls, jointed dolls, dressed dolls and Cuddle Kiddies. No advance in prices here. The honest values always offered by Kirk and Clark. w&f t2

KEENAN FUNERAL IS BEING ARRANGED; HAS FEW RELATIVES

The time for the funeral of Dan Keenan, aged about 68 years, who was found dead in his shanty at 827 Crest avenue, Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock by Policeman G. W. Corey, has not yet been announced. Arrangements will probably be made today for the funeral.

Mr. Keenan is survived by a nephew Alemons Keenan, of Donora; two nieces, at Youngstown, Ohio, and a sister, Mrs. McVay, in Illinois.

MOTIVE POWER TO UNDERGO CHANGES

Improvements Being Made at Locks on Monongahela River South to No. 5

New motive power at the locks is being provided through the co-operation of coal shippers and steamboat men of the Monongahela river. An appropriation has recently been made by Uncle Sam for the purpose, and new and improved machinery will be installed on the various locks as far south of Lock No. 5 on the Monongahela. The new machinery will facilitate the passage up and down of steamers in entering and departing from the locks. No more men will be needed for operation of the locks.

STATE COLLEGE CLUB TO GIVE ANNUAL DANCE HERE

Invitations have been issued by the Washington County club, of State College, for its sixth annual winter dance to be held in Might's Auditorium, Charleroi, on Tuesday evening, December 29. The affair will be informal. Annually these dances attract college folk to Charleroi, and in the past they have proven among the most enjoyable social events of holiday season.

BOUNTY CLAIM TO BE PAID BY COUNTY

Bounty claims for noxious animals, mostly weasles, were paid out by the county Tuesday. The writing of the warrants was started Monday. There were about 400 of these claims on file aggregating about $800. They have been held up on account of the county deciding not to pay any until they were assured they would be compensated by the state, as provided by law. In order to get in on the appropriation that will be made by the next legislature to pay off these bounty claims, the county submitted a list to the state department. The money is paid back to the county out of the funds from the hunter's licenses, fifty per cent of that sum to be used for bounty purposes.

20 year Guarantee Gold filled case watch with Elgin movements, $8.00. Plenty to select from at H. Porter's Jeweler and Optician, 534 Fallowfield avenue. 131-tf

Bargains at half price, wood burning outfits and stamped wood to use with them—Berrymans. D-10-11-14-15-21-22

SKATING POND NOW A REALITY

"Winter Garden" Sport Now Available for People of Charleroi and Vicinity

Skating is now in order at the newly created Charleroi skating pond, a thick ice that is excellent for skating having been frozen after the place was flooded Tuesday. The pond will be flooded to improve the ice from time to time and to make the available skating space larger.

Skaters were on hand early this morning to enjoy the opportunity offered, and this afternoon there were more at the pond. "Winter garden" sport promises to be as popular this winter as was bathing beach sport last summer.

It is the plan to have the skating pond in shape for skating day and evening. Houses have been erected as quarters for skaters.

ROD MILLS AT MONESSEN START

Nos. 1 and 2 rod mills of the Pittsburg Steel company have started at Monessen, and many men returned to employment. This it is stated will be the beginning of much activity at the Monessen steel mills.

DR. DRIVER LECTURES ON THE EUROPEAN WAR

The European war situation and the probable result of the Great conflict were discussed by Dr. John Merritte Driver, at the high school auditorium Tuesday evening. He appeared as one of the lecturers of the Charleroi Citizens' Entertainment course, and his more than two hours discussion merited the attention it received. Dr. Driver has traveled all parts of Europe many times and knows the inside affairs of each country. He says the result of the war will be an overpowering of Germany, but that it will be for the general good of all the nations of Europe.

He foresees a republic for Germany but believes that the kaiser and his house will be cared for. Dr. Driver gave ample reasons to prove his assertions, showing that it would be the force of numbers and not superior fighting that would mean Germany's ultimate defeat. According to his belief one of the turning points of the war was when the siege of Liege took place, the halt of the Germans at this point for two weeks having been the means of preventing their entrance into Paris, a strong objective point. He mentioned that the kaiser was suffering physically and mentally and suggested it would be but 18 months until a great peace tribunal would meet at The Hague at the appointment of President Wilson of the United States to settle the difference and adjust matters of the 29 nations of Europe.

LAST EPISODE OF MYSTERY PICTURE TONIGHT

This evening at the Palace theatre the last episode of the Million Dollar Mystery will be shown. In February the solution of the mystery, for which ten thousand dollars will be paid, will be shown at the Palace theatre. The picture of the person solving the mystery will also be shown.

Embrace this opportunity. We will give you any 25c tooth brush in the store free, with a can of Pearl tooth powder at 25c per can. Carroll's Drug Store. Adv

Did you get one of the Charleroi Savings & Trust Company Christmas Savings Club checks today. If not make sure of receiving one next year by joining the new club now. 140-t1

Solid Gold Lavalier and Neck Chain, dainty patterns only $2.00. Kirk and Clark. w&ft2

ACCUSED QUARTET HELD FOR COURT

Local Men Accused of Highwayman act Removed to County Jail

Kenneth Matson, William Sillence and James Shields, of Charleroi, and Frank Rafferty of Eldora, were given a hearing before Justice of the Peace E. E. Rice Tuesday evening on a charge of assaulting, beating and robbing Albert Saraffin, a Pole, in the alley in the rear of the Monier hotel Monday evening. Saraffin identified all four of the men as his assailants. They pleaded not guilty. The quartet were held for court without bail.

Constable Frank W. Jones left this morning for Washington with the four young men. It is understood that bail will be arranged with the court for one or two of them today. Saraffin described how one of them came to him and asked him to step back to the alley to take a drink. When they got to the alley some one struck him under the eye and gagged him with an overcoat while they took about $21 from his clothing.

PIANO RECITAL TO BE GIVEN MONDAY

Arrangements are being made by Miss May Barth for a piano recital to be given by her pupils next Monday evening at the First Christian church. An appropriate program will be rendered. Miss Barth gave her first public recital a year ago, and it proved a decidedly enjoyable feature.

Mary Pickford in "Tess of the Storm Country at the Coyle Theatre tomorrow. 140-t1

CHANGES ALONG RIVER

Capt. Joseph L. Moore, one of the oldest and best known river captains, has been placed in charge of the steamer Henry A. Laughlin, of the Vesta Coal company.

Capt. Henry Wolfe, of Washington, Pa., is standing watch on the steamer Rover of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke company.

INSURANCE DISPUTE IS SETTLED ON THE ATWOOD

In the dispute as to who should receive the insurance on the Atwood hotel, recently burned at West Brownsville, a settlement has been reached. The hotel, at the time of the fire, was conducted by Mrs. Emma Theakston, widow of the late Harry A. Theakston. The insurance money will be paid to John C. Flack, executor of Harry A. Theakston. The executor is to satisfy a claim against Mrs. Theakston by Armour & Co., who attached the insurance after it became due. Sunstein & Sons, also claimants, also agree to this arrangement, and agree to continue further proceedings to such a time as will enable the parties to adjust the insurance money as provided under the agreement.

Stockholders Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank will be held at its Banking House, Charleroi, Pa., Tuesday, January 12, 1915 at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and transacting any other business which might properly come before them.

R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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SHOPPERS COME FROM DISTANCE TO CHARLEROI

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Starr of Lock No. 5 near Brownsville were in Charleroi Tuesday doing their Christmas shopping. Mr. Starr is assistant lockmaster at No. 5, and is one of the best known rivermen along the Monongahela.

LAST EPISODE OF THE MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY PALACE THEATRE TONIGHT. 140-t1

SLIGHT DAMAGE DONE BY FIRE AT NORTH CHARLEROI

Cold weather was virtually the cause of a fire of minor proportions at a house owned by the Mercantile Bridge company at North Charleroi near the railroad station Wednesday night. A hearthstone became overheated from the blazing grate fire and ignited some woodwork. But slight damage was done, the fire being immediately controlled. Erasmus Bailey and family occupies the house.

APPORTIONMENT NOT TO BE MADE

Congressional Districts Next Year May be Sidetracked by Legislature

Indications in Republican state organization circles are that the forthcoming session of the state legislature, as did the last one, will fail to reapportion the congressional districts so as to do away with the representatives-at-large. It had been planned originally by the leaders to have such a reapportionment made at this session. But opposition promptly developed in Allegheny county and also in some country districts, according to news from Harrisburg.

Such action cannot fail to result in great disappointment over Westmoreland county, as well as Butler county, the two making up the 22nd congressional district. These counties have never been geographically, industrially or politically homeogeneous and until reapportionment divorces them there will be more or less discord politically so far as organized effort goes.

Westmoreland county has more than enough population for a congressman of her own, according to the last census, and longs to become a congressional unit, as well as Butler to be coupled with a county adjoining and neighborly.

It is said that in view of this situation the Philadelphia leaders are likely to bow to the wishes of leaders in other sections of the state. There may be this exception, however, that the Vares would insist on a reapportionment with the idea of carving out a Philadelphia district for John R. K. Scott, just elected one of the four representatives-at-large.

At present there are 32 congressional districts. As the census of 1910 allows 36 congressman to this state, the four additional are elected at large. If there were a reapportionment, Philadelphia and Allegheny and Westmoreland each would get another congressman. The remaining new districts would be carved out in the interior of the state.

Pittsburg leaders object to reapportionment on the ground that it would break up existing districts and effect their county organization. The country districts object for the reason that under the "at large" plan any section of the interior is likely to be recognized with a congressional plum.

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WILL DISCUSS PROPOSED LAW

Meeting to be Held on December 28 to Talk of Workmen's Compensation

The first of a series of lectures at different points throughout Pennsylvania will be given in Charleroi on December 28, when some of the leading authorities of the subject of workmen's compensation will speak. Arrangements are in charge of a committee from the Central Trades council.

The speakers for the first meeting will be State Senator William Greene, of Ohio, one of the leading exponents of the workmen's compensation bill and the father of the bill in Ohio, and President Van Bittner, of the District No. 5, United Mine Workers of America. In addition there will be an address made by a foreign speaker, John Litterenchick.

The business men will be asked to cooperate with the local committee in preparing for the addresses. The workmen's compensation bill is one that will come up at the next session of the legislature and preceeding its introduction laboring men will conduct a campaign of education throughout the state.

In addition to Senator Green, John Mitchell and other noted men will be brought into the state to make addresses.

Handkerchiefs in great variety here—big values at 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c. Kirk and Clark. w&ft2

INDUSTRIAL PULSE FEELS QUICKENING

Western Pennsylvania is pulsing with these signs of an industrial revival. This was particularly evident in steel, but reports Monday from mining districts were encouraging also.

New Castle, McKeesport, Sharon and Farrell were centers of renewed activity in steel, while in the Monongahela valley a number of miners returned to work and the prospect of a merrier Christmas. In the little town of Bunola 400 miners went back to work after a long period of idleness.

In McKeesport, the National Tube Co.'s four rolling mills resumed operations, while the other mills of the same company in the Pittsburg district opened the week with increased forces. Large orders of pipe promised a good and steady run. In other mills men who have been on half time went on five or five-and-a-half-day time.

Ten of the mills of the American Sheet & Tinplate Co resumed Monday at New Castle and Farrell, putting 25 of the company's 30 mills at New Castle and 15 of its 20 in Farrell in operation. At Sharon the steel hoop mill resumed full time operations after months of slackness. The Carnegie Steel Co. reopened one of its long-idle open hearth furnaces at Farrell today, increasing employment for a number of men.

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THOUGHTS FOR SAFETY

State Fire Marshall J. L. Baldwin in a bulletin sent out from Harrisburg calls attention to the dangers of fire at Christmas time and urges that caution be observed. His remarks are so timely and so well put that they are worth while printing. They follow:

We are again approaching the Christmas holidays when naught but happiness and good cheer should prevail. Let us make it so, by caution and the avoidance of carelessness in the handling of Christmas tree decorations. Flimsy decorations should never be used. They have been the cause of much sadness and many deaths. Let us try to make our state the banner state in freedom from distressing casualties, caused by thoughtless carelessness. Be happy and use care not to mar this happiness.

Many entertainments will be given in homes, schools, churches, bazaars, and stores. Remember that light, inflammable decoraions make easy fires. Avoid their use. Decorations of no kind should be used near gas jets. An air current may cause a disastrous fire.

Where possible, electricity should be used for lighting trees or for decorative purposes and the wiring should be done by a competent electrician.

If trees are to be lighted, other than by electricity, see that the children do not light or relight the candles. Frequently clothing is set afire by permitting this. Avoid the possibility. The tree will also burn when dry. Better no lights than to run the risk.

Paper, cotton, or other decorations of a flimsy material should not be used. Use metallic tinsel or uninflammable material and see that trees are securely fastened, so that children cannot pull the tree over when reaching for things.

If presents are distributed from the tree, either at home or at a public entertainment, care should be taken in handling them to avoid the possibility of a fire.

Avoid mechanical toys that require alcohol or gasoline or other dangerous oil to operate them.

Never permit cotton to be used beneath trees, to give the appearance of snow. If the appearance of snow is desired, for any purpose, use mineral wool or asbestos. It will not burn and gives a better effect than cotton.

Matches should never be left within the reach of children. Keep them in metal boxes and out of reach.

Don't let smokers throw lighted cigars, cigarets or matches about in a careless manner.

Be constantly on the watch for anything that might cause fire. Have merriment and plenty of it, but avoid mourning by the avoidance of carelessness.

Strive to prevent casualties, but be prepared for an emergency by having placed conveniently fire extinguishers or buckets filled with water.

Teach the children to be careful; show them the danger of fire. Drill them at home: nothing appeals to children more than drilling and when once they are made to realize the benefit of knowing how to protect themselves in case of fire, it will enable them to better care for themselves in time of danger.

Relief Committee Meets.

The social and relief committee of Charleroi Circle, 303, P. H. C. met at the home of Mrs. Lauis Bertram on Tuesday evening at 216 Fallowfield avenue. Business pertaining to the relief and social affairs was transacted after which social features were enjoyed. A sumptuous lunch was

Mights Book Store

WHY NOT BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS?

Why Not PIPES

Why Not FOUNTAIN PEN

Why Not STATIONERY

SOUTHSIDE TO PLAY TONIGHT

Tonight the Southside team of the West Penn league will oppose the Charleroi five on the home floor at 8:15 o'clock, and one of the best games played here thus far is anticipated. Capt. Stark has his men working well now, with Mackey and Irwin in the game, and Manager James Russel is confident of a good season. Southside has a group of brilliant players that is hard to beat.

WOODWARDS ARE DEFEATED BY FAST HOMESTEADERS

The Woodward Basketball team was defeated at Homestead Saturday night by the Sokol Juniors by a score of 46 to 18. Lineup:

Sokol Jrs.—46		Woodwards—18
Forgach	F	P. McGuire
Kirsch	F	Girard
Lucas	G	Furnier
Sabol	G	Sahner
Fesz	G	J McGuire

Substitutions—Kurpjuweit for Sahner. Field goals—Lucas 10, Forgach 5, Kirsch 5, Sabol 3, P. McGuire 2, Girard 2, Sahner. Kurpjuweit. Goals from fouls—P McGuire 6 of 7, Forgach 0 of 1.

JUNIORS ARRANGE GAME FOR SATURDAY

The Charleroi Juniors will play the fast Phipps C. C. of the South side Saturday night. All Junior players are to report at Fifth street at 4:45 p. m. The game will start with the following lineup:

Southside.		Charleroi.
Watt	F	Myers
Kuhlman	F	Allen
Viehman	C	(Capt.) Herche
Lauer	G	Weiss
Dear (Capt)	G	Gelder

Viewers Are Appointed.

In the matter of the appropriation of additional ground for school purposes in Fallowfield township H. H. Hainey, Grant E. Hess and Wm. Wiley have been appointed viewers. Monday, January 4, 1915, is fixed as the time for the view. The land to be taken is a part of the William Rodgers farm and part of the Hannah Cooper place.

Real Estate Transfer.

Sarah Watson, et al., to the Borough of Charleroi a lot fronting on Lincoln avenue, Charleroi; consideration $2,500.

Sunday School Institute.

A Sunday School of methods meeting will be held for local Sunday school workers tomorrow night at the M. E. church, when B. S. Forsythe of Fayette county will be a speaker.

Did you get one of the Charleroi Savings & Trust Co. Christmas Savings Club checks today. If not make sure of receiving one next year by joining the new club now. 140-tf.

PERSONALS

Ralph Williamson who is a student at Mercersburg Academy is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents Mr and Mrs. T. D. Williamson of Washington avenue.

L. M. Truxal of the Belle Vernon Enterprise was a caller in Charleroi Wednesday.

Miss Tillie Fleming has returned to her home at Carnick after spending several days at the home of her sister, Mrs. John McNaughton. She was accompanied by Mrs. McNaughton who will visit in Carrick.

Mrs Emma Craft of Brownsville is visiting her daughter, Mrs C. R. Newcomer of Fifth street.

C. Brown, Jr., is transacting business in London, Ontario.

Mrs. C. F. Thompson, of Fifth street went to Pittsburg Wednesday.

C. E. Copeland, of the U. S. Steamer Slackwater, who has been enjoying a two weeks' vacation at his home here, returned Wednesday to Port Perry, where the steamer is at present located.

Mrs. Willis McCook of Third street was a Pittsburg visitor Wednesday.

J. E. Masters was a caller in Pittsburg Wednesday.

R. H. Rush was a Pittsburg visitor Wednesday.

COMMISSIONS RECEIVED FROM LABOR FEDERATION

Commissions have been received by John P. Ferry, John Stephenson and Chauncey G. Collins as representatives here of the American Federation of Labor. Their appointment was approved by the Central Trades council at their meeting Tuesday night. They were appointed in recognition of their past work for the federation.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM PLAYS GOOD GAMES

The Junior Academics defeated the Freshmen Academics and the Sophmore Academics defeated the Commerical Freshmen in the high school league Tuesday afternoon. First game lineup:

Jr. Acad.—36.		Freshmen Acad.—7.
Lowstutter	F	Eagye
Trew	F	Pollock
Ryland	C	Carson
Kellogg	G	Manon
Hickey	G	Holyfield

Field goals—Lowstutter 7, Trew, Ryland 8, Carson 2. Foul goals—Lowstutter 4 of 8. Pollock 3 of 8. Referee—Lorimer.

Second game lineup:

Com. Freshmen—14.		Soph. Acad.—17
Monack	F	Piersol
Ramsey	F	Speers
Hepler	C	Bolanger
Cavanaugh	G	Carl
Scott	G	Welch

Substitutions—Stahlman for Welch. Field goals—Monack, Ramsey, Hepler 4, Piersol 2, Stahlman 4. Foul goals—Scott 2 of 5, Piersol 3 of 9, Bolinger 1 of 1, Stahlman 1 of 3. Referee—Lorimer.

CHARLEROI SAVINGS & TRUST Co.

CHRISTMAS CHECKS

AMOUNTING TO NEARLY

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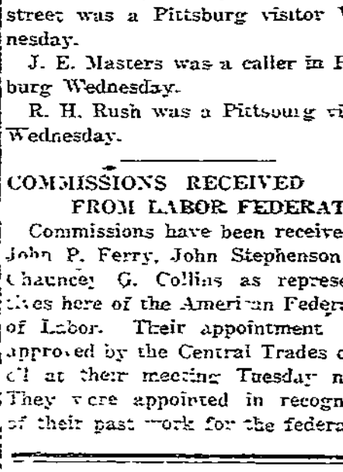

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Class 25,	25c each week, total	$12.50
Class 50,	50c each week, total	25.00
Class 100,	1.00 each week, total	50.00
Class 200,	2.00 each week, total	100.00

You may join as many classes as you wish.

Interest is Allowed on All Classes at the Rate of 3 Per Cent.

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The Fund Starts Saturday, December 26th

Come into the bank and let us tell you about the plan.

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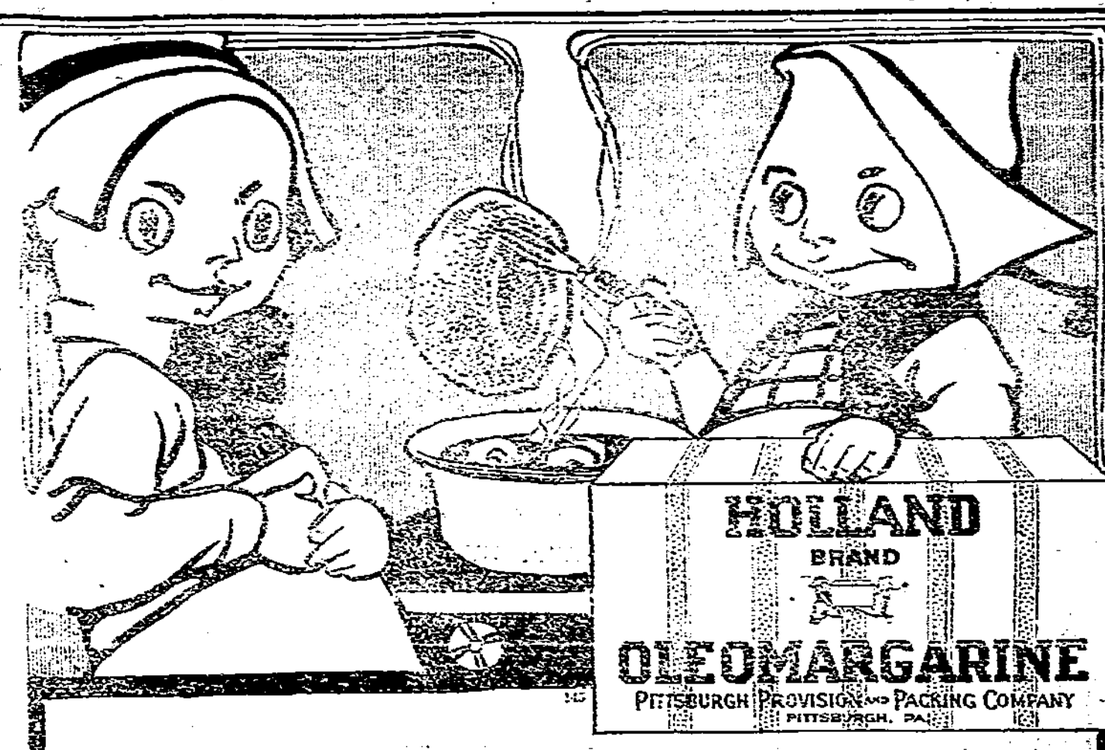

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CASE AFTER CASE

Plenty More Like This in Charleroi

Scores of Charleroi people can tell you about Doan's Kidney Pills. Many a happy citizen makes a public statement of his experience. Here is a case of it. What better proof of merit can be had than such endorsement?

Mrs. Louis Vellettay, 205 Prospect avenue, Charleroi, Pa., says: "I had been troubled for years with dropsical swellings in my feet and ankles and I found it hard to get around. I also had a dull, heavy pain in the small of my back and I couldn't do my housework. I seemed to be worse in the morning and often got so sore that I couldn't bend. Rheumatic pains darted throughout my body and I felt tired all the time. I doctored but got no relief and when I was advised to try Doan's Kidney Pills, I procured a supply at Piper's Pharmacy. Two boxes relieved me. I now take Doan's Kidney Pills on and on when I am not feeling well and they never fail to help me."

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Give a Player Piano or Columbia Grafanola for Christmas

We are offering some extra special bargains in player pianos until Christmas. We have them priced from

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Look in our windows for the beautiful player pianos we are offering at bargain prices.

Let a Columbia Grafanola complete your family circle this Christmas. We have them priced from

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We will sell you a Player Piano or Columbia Grafanola on easy terms.

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Get her a nice Gaiter Boot for a Christmas Present, either in imported A1 grade, grey or fawn top, pat. colt leather vamp, fancy pat. backstay on the newest lasts with the latest modified concave heels.

Why?

PAY MORE when you can get this fancy-up-to-date boot in the Famous Red Cross make, which means utmost style complete with utmost comfort at the reasonable price of $4.00.

Our Men's Shoes are a challenge to any other make, at the same price.

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Two Doors Below Bank of Charleroi Bldg.

The Man Behind Santa Claus THAT'S DAD!

Because you live with him all the year 'round he does not seem like a romantic figure. But without him there would not be any Christmas.

"Dad" pays!

He pays for the turkey, the tree and the trinkets. Sometimes it comes a little hard, but "he doesn't like to disappoint the folks."

When you ask him what he wants for himself, he says "Oh, don't bother about me. There isn't anything I want. Better save your money or spend it on someone else,"

But don't take him at his word. He wants many things, but he is leaving a loophole of escape for people small enough to crawl through.

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is filled with things men like---not the things women think men like, but things men buy for themselves. As gifts they cannot be surpassed, for besides telling of your regard they save a man the expense of getting them some other time.

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A vast assortment of Ties at 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.
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Sweaters .....$1.50 to $8
Tie and sox sets. supporters and suspender sets.
Handkerchief. tie and hose sets. etc. in complete assortment.
Belt, fob and bill book for . .$1.50

THE NEWEST IN
Soft Hats

They're novel. Can hardly wear one out, ...$2.00 to $3.
Other makes of soft and stiff hats on the new blocks, from $1 up.

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Such useful things as cuff buttons, tie clasps. scarf pins, fobs. etc. Inexpensive. but tasty gifts.

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Merode Underwear—the very best. Our sales have doubled in twelve months. Closed crotch, perfect fitting union suits $1 to $3 a garment.
Other Union suits of high grade—per garment . $1.50 to $2
Other Underwear. ..$1.00 suit up.

Fine Vests
Are Always Acceptable

These make very appropriate gifts The materials and the qualities are first class.
Fancy Vests. ..... $1 to $3.

Fine Gifts of
Toilet Sets and Every Day Needs

These are things every man appreciates. Every item listed here is useful—needed every day—and they are inexpensive in comparison with the appearance of quality and refinement they convey.

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Plus interest	Plus interest	Plus interest	Plus interest

Joining is very simple---just bring or send the first week's payment, either twenty-five cents, fifty cents, one dollar or two dollars. Your messenger will be given an account deposit book in your name showing amount paid. Anyone can join by mail. Send stamps, post office order or check and your membership book will be sent by return mail. Join and get your friends to join.

Club Opens Monday, December 21st

BANK OF CHARLEROI

CHARLEROI, PENNSYLVANIA

Resources over $1,750,000.00

WAR NOTES

London. Dec 16.—The offensive movement of the French and British has become general and is being pushed with strong forces The French claim to have been sucessful at all points, except at Steinbach in Alsace the Germans say that the allies have been unsuccessful at several places. The fact that the allies are in posession of Hollegeke in Flanders and heavy fighting is still going on shows that they have made an appreciable advance during the past two days. It is admitted that the Germans have been forced to give ground in both the east and west.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—The Turkish cruiser Sultan Selim bombarded Batum, and set fire to the city. The Russian land batteries returned the fire without success. It is reported from Constantinople that a Mohammedan uprising has occurred in the Caucasus and that 50,000 armed Russian Moslems went out to fightagainst the Russians.

Rome, Dec 16.—Negotiations between Italy and Turkey over the removal of G. A. Richardson, the British consul from the Italian consulate at Hodeida Arabia. are approaching a satisfactory solution. The Turks have returned Mr. Richardson to the consulate and presented excuses for his removal. They also promise to punish those guilty of the breach of diplomatic relations.

London. Dec. 16.—The Germans are so short of metal that contracts have been entered into and actually being carried out for the transportation of all work of the smashed Belgian bridges to Germany.

Santiago. Dec. 16.—The German cruiser Dresden left Punta Arenas on Sunday evening without taking on coal. The British cruiser Bristol has gone in pursuit.

Paris, Dec. 16.—Paris experienced the "Zeppelin chill" Tuesday. Shortly after mianight practically all lights in the city were suddenly extinguished. It was reported that two or three of the air craft were approaching.

Little Damage Done.

Some damage was done when the auto of Dr. V. P. Vieslet skidded on the car track at the Charleroi end of the Monessen-Charleroi bridge Tuesday.

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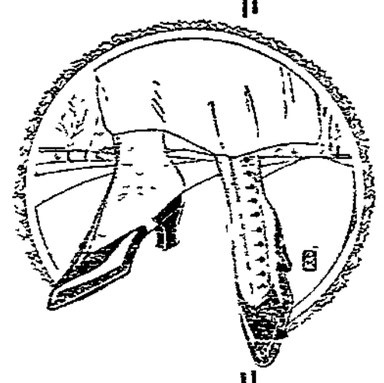

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